

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, lines 8-13, please replace with the following paragraph:

This application is a division of Application No. 10/081,726, filed February 21, 2002, now U.S. patent number 6,623,510, which application is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/732,178, filed December 7, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,719,777 for "Closure Device and Methods for Making and Using Them," the disclosures of which are expressly incorporated by reference herein.

On page 30, line 18 through page 31, line 4, please replace with the following paragraph:

The clips of the present invention may be delivered using various apparatus and methods. An exemplary apparatus 500 suitable for delivering a clip of the present invention is shown in Figure 9. Other suitable apparatus that may be used to deliver a clip of the present invention are disclosed in co-pending U.S. application Serial No. 10/0821,723 —/—, filed on the same day as the present application and entitled "Apparatus and Methods for Delivering a Closure Device" (attorney docket no. 262/280), which is assigned to the assignee of the present application. The disclosures of this application and any references cited therein are expressly incorporated by reference.

On page 32, lines 8-22, please replace with the following paragraph:

The apparatus 500 may also include a mechanical locator or obturator 600, such as that disclosed in U.S. application Serial No. 10/081,723 —/—, (attorney docket no. 262/280), incorporated by referenced above, that may be part of an actuator assembly (not shown) that is attachable to the proximal end of the sheath 552. Alternatively, the mechanical locator or obturator 600 may be a

separate device that is insertable into the lumen 560, e.g., through the actuator assembly. Generally, the obturator 600 is an elongate member including a distal tip 614 and a distal portion 616. The distal tip 614 may be substantially soft and/or flexible such that the distal tip 614 may substantially atraumatically enter the vessel 590 (not shown, see Figures 10A-10D). The distal portion 616 generally includes one or more wings or other expandable elements 618 for providing tactile feedback, as described further below.

On page 32, line 23 to page 33, line 13, please replace with the following paragraph:

The carrier assembly 554 is slidably disposed on an exterior of the sheath 552, and is configured for releasably carrying a clip 110 (shown in phantom), which may any of the clips described herein. The carrier assembly 554 may be substantially permanently attached to the sheath 552 and/or may be actuated from the proximal end 562 of the sheath 552, for example, by the actuator assembly (not shown), to advance the clip 110 distally during deployment. Alternatively, the clip 110 may be carried by an actuator assembly, as disclosed in co-pending U.S. application Serial No. 10/081,725—/——, filed on the same day as the present application and entitled “Sheath Apparatus and Methods for Delivering a Closure Device,” which is assigned to the assignee of the present application (attorney docket no. 267/117). The disclosures of this application and any references cited therein are expressly incorporated herein by reference.\